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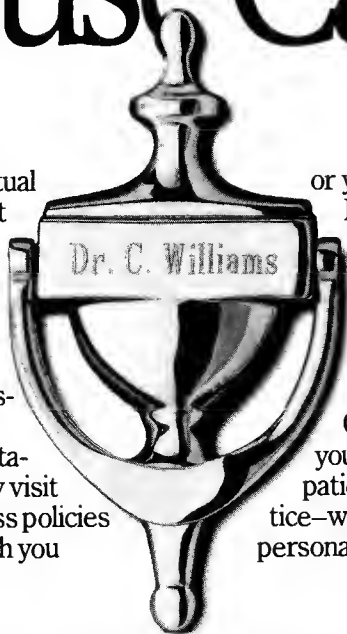
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From the Desk of the President



Have any of you recently noticed a change in your patients' attitudes? If you have not, you are not paying attention. After years of being treated like children, they are in revolt against the doctors and the health care system which has been patronizing them. The old style of keeping the patients in the dark and expecting them to follow our instructions like passive children is gone. They are insisting on having a say in their treatment. Their questions require answers. Demands for consultations and second opinions are common, and not only at the request of the insurance companies. Our patients are much better informed. They want to know the results of their tests and they are beginning to understand these results. At times, they even suggest tests. They want to know all the alternative ways of treating their illness; including, the risks and chances of success of each method. They ask questions like, "What are the side effects of their medicine?" Loyalty to their physician is becoming a thing of the past. How many of you have lost patients whom you have taken good care of since their birth because you are not on their HMO or PPO panel? You thought you had firm, lifetime relationships. There were no problems. You liked the patients and the patients seemed to like and respect you. Nevertheless, the patients are now someone else's patients. After giving a thorough physical, have you expressed your opinion to the patients only to have them ask if you are sure? The "Era of Consumer Medicine" has arrived.

Just what has prompted this new consumerism? Has it been our fault? In the past, have we only treated the disease and not the patient? Did we and do we lack respect for the patient's time? Do we keep him waiting for hours in our waiting rooms and then only give him five or ten minutes of our time? Did we answer his questions by just telling him not to worry about it and to just take the medicine?

Why are so many patients willing to switch doctors just because their insurance requires that they choose a doctor on a company's panel? Of course, there is a financial incentive. If they go to the doctor on the panel, the insurance pays for most or all of their visit. However, they are not angry enough about losing their right to choose their doctor. If it was more important to them, they would bargain and insist that their employer provide them with insurance that provides free choice of doctor. Now is the time to make them more angry with the situation. In addition to treating their medical problems, we must as a group form more personal, individualized ties with our patients. If the patient feels his doctor is truly concerned about him as a person

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Editorial:

BACK TO PHYSIC

Medicine, by definition, is the name of "an art, of a science or group of sciences, and of a learned profession whose members are proficient in these sciences and experienced in the practice of the art." The physician, from the Greek word "physic" is therefore a student of nature. The ancient bond that holds this art together is generated by the Hippocratic Oath, sworn to in the name of "Apollo the physician and Aesculapius, and Health . . . and all the gods and goddesses." It implies the intellectual and moral beginnings that has held the profession in esteem through the ages. Even the bible states in "Ecclesiasticus": "Honor the physician for the need thou has for him: for the most high hath created him, for all healing is from God and he shall receive gifts of the king. The skill of the physician shall lift up his head, and in the sight of great men he shall be praised. The most high hath created medicines out of the earth, and a wise man will not abhor them . . . The virtue of these things is come to the knowledge of men, that may be honored in his wonders. By these he shall cure and shall allay their pains, and of these the apothecary shall make sweet confections, and shall make up ointments of health, and of his works there shall be no end."

Despite controversy through the ages, medicine has always been able to more or less live up to its creed. Hippocrates himself conveyed the sense of the hazards of medical practice when he said, "Life is short and Art long; the crisis fleeting; experiment perilous, and decision difficult. The physician must not only be prepared to do what is right himself, but also to make the patient, the attendants, and the externals cooperate."

Treatment of diseases still ascends from the ideals set up by the "ancients". Hippocrates and Golen both used the fundamental techniques which we use today. Doubters also abounded. According to Montaigne, the patient's ignorance permits the physician to claim credit for his successes and to blame fortune for his failures.

For the first time in history all this has been threatened. We've become the slaves of society rather than the ideals of the profession.

In a recent interview with Dennis O'Leary, M.D., president of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of hospitals, emphasis on hospital accreditation

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and cares about his total well-being, he will be much more reluctant to leave for another doctor. Financially, he may have to leave anyway. However, if enough patients feel this way, they will, as a group, put pressure on their employers to purchase insurance which gives them free choice of physician.

The situation may not be all bad. We can learn from it. The Medical Profession is already responding. There is a new humaneness flowering along side the gleaming cold technology. Doctors are listening much more closely to their patients and relying on them to take more active roles in monitoring their own treatment. There has been a new emphasis on the patient as a person rather than as a disease. We already provide the best in medical knowledge and technology. The new Consumerism is spurring a revitalization of the Art of Medicine.

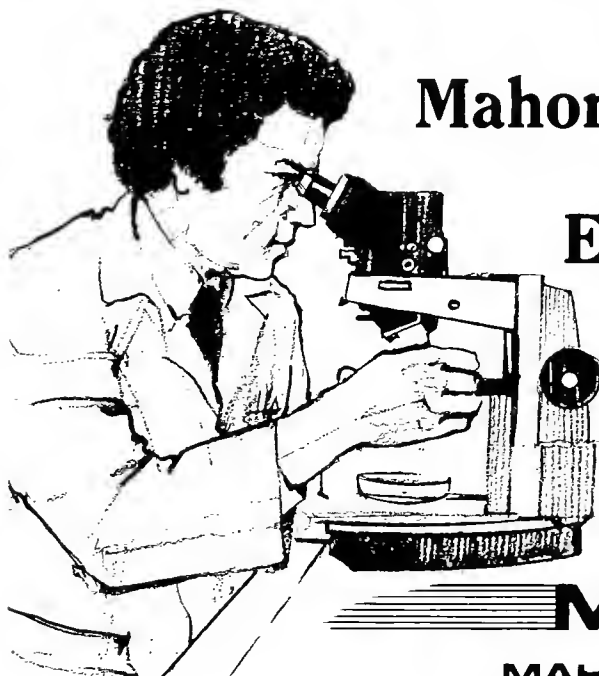
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will turn away from how well the paper work is done but rather directly on physicians competence. The power to delve into charts and directly inform patients and their families about the standard of care performed is already in place. The new standards will go beyond this, using advanced statistical techniques to weed out all facets of care rendered by every physician to every patient and decide from there if the hospital is fulfilling its requirements for accreditation. Acceptable "variations" in care will now be monitored. The ancient credos are to be modernized to override the old physician-patient relationship and put care into the computers of the "experts". Have the doubters finally fulfilled their dreams? Are our skills now mortal in the eyes of the populace, or can we regain our biblical prophecy?

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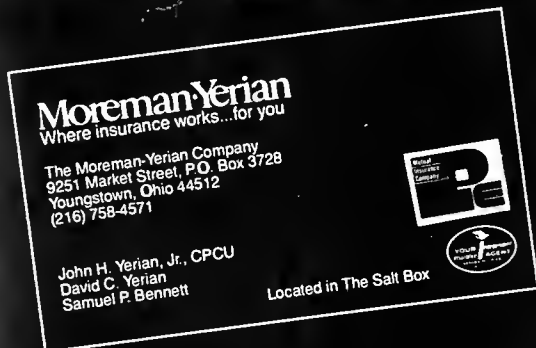
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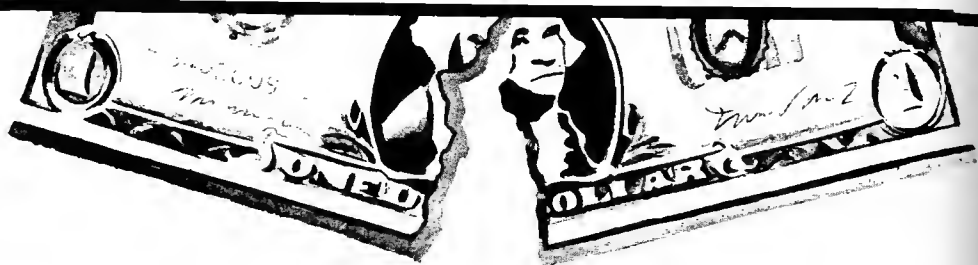
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April 14, 1987

The regular meeting of the Council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held Tuesday, April 14, 1987 at the Moonraker Restaurant.

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. during dinner to expedite consideration of the beginning agenda items.

The treasurer's report noted that 338 members have paid 1987 dues to date as compared to 331 at this date last year. It was stated that 22 members have not paid their dues for 1987 as compared to 19 who had not paid their dues at this time last year. A total of dues and other income was noted and a bills list was presented. A motion was made, seconded and passed to pay each and every bill.

The following application for membership was presented:

ACTIVE: Thomas M. Robb, D.O.

The application was approved and the applicant will become a member of the Mahoning County Medical Society in the voted category 15 days after the name is printed in the minutes of the April meeting that are mailed to all members, unless an objection is received in writing by the executive director before that effective date.

COMMUNICATIONS included:

A letter from Congressman Robert Mrazek of N.Y. noting his sponsorship of legislation on reforming Professional Medical Liability;

An offer from a non-member physician to provide a program for the Society that would include information concerning his specialty. Council noted that programs have been set for at least the next year and instructed the executive director to contact the physician and inform him he would be contacted if we wished to have him present a program;

An invitation to participate in the local Adopt-a-School program, which Council instructed should be graciously declined;

Two pieces of correspondence from a member/physician which took exception to some procedures being done by dentists and which decried the inclusion of some material in the local newspaper. Council declined to take any action other than a local contact regarding both situations;

Dr. George H. Dietz, PR chairman, reported the April 2nd Scholarship Recognition Dinner was a huge success and that Attorney Lawrence Springer did a masterful job of presenting the topic "Success Is Many Things." Dr. Dietz expressed his thanks to member/hosts who took part in the event: Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Detesco, Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Pichette, Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Anderson, Dr. and Mrs. R. Jenkins, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Ervin, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Tandatnick, Dr. Barclay Brandmiller and Dr. Genevieve Delfs.

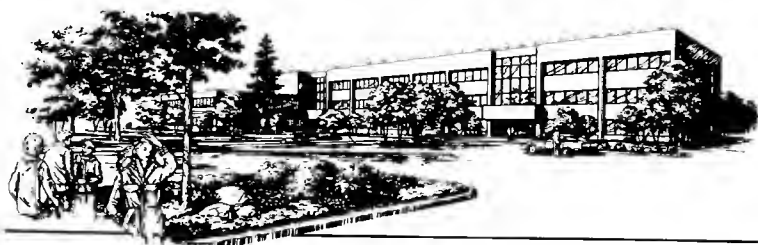
The committee for the Medical-Dental Tri-County Golf and Tennis outing reported plans have been finalized and flyers will be mailed with the minutes of the council meeting

A letter of appreciation along with a check to repay his Foundation loan was received from Dr. David E. Bacha of Akron and the letter was read to Council as an indication of the good work being done by the Foundation and its trustees. Council approved the mailing of a letter to all members of the Society, requesting that the Foundation be named in the members' will.

Dr. Riberi addressed Council with his problems concerning the collecting of fees from Medicaid for medical services. He noted the Welfare Department seems to deliberately delay payment and purposely lose claims. He noted the Welfare Department then requests re-submission of the claims then deny them because they are not timely and within the 180 days period allowed for submission. Dr. Riberi stated he sent claims by registered mail and the department still claimed they did not receive them. It was noted this is not an isolated circumstance and other physicians have the same problem.

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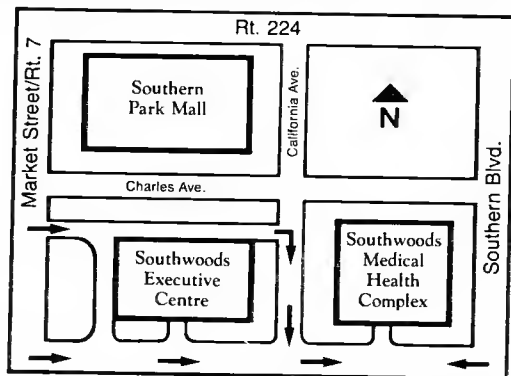


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Dr. Anderson, Sixth District Councilor, stated he would take the problem to the Ombudsman at OSMA but he needs documentation of specific instances. He requested that any physician who can supply evidence substantiating the Welfare department delaying or ignoring claims should contact Dr. Anderson or mail it to his office at once. It was noted that case histories are needed in order to take some action. It was also suggested that contact be made locally with legislators by physicians having problems. Some concern was expressed concerning litigation that resulted after medical service was provided to welfare patients. A motion was made, seconded and passed to have Dr. Anderson follow through at the State level concerning lack of payment, litigation resulting from providing welfare medical care, failure to recognize timely claims, and other documented problems.

Dr. Foster, president of the Medical-Dental Bureau, presented an update on the survey of answering/paging service and reported on his contact with officials of Wilcom Paging Service. He presented the contents of a four-page report and noted the paging firm is more than willing to work with the physicians in any way possible. A motion was made, seconded and passed to invite Wilcom to one of the Society's general meetings to present information about its Alpha Numeric paging system, which is considered as the state of the art system currently available.

Sixth District Councilor Dr. Anderson reported a new medical liability bill has been introduced in the legislature and it addresses the physicians' problem specifically. He noted the introduction of a proposal to make mandatory acceptance of Medicare fees a condition of licensing. He stated another Nurse Practice Act bill is in the planning stage. He noted OSMA has a physicians hotline that will provide a recorded message that contains news about tort reform efforts, legal activities, Medicare/Medicaid rulings, coming events and other information. The hotline number is 1-800-346-OSMA.

Council took note of the current voluntary contribution solicitation asking each physician to contribute \$100 to a legislative action fund. The purpose is to provide funds for financing the legal, legislative and communication activities necessary to pass medical professional liability bills currently in the State Legislature.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Robert B. Blake
Executive Director

PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

May 12, 1987

The regular meeting of the Council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held Tuesday, May 12, 1987 at Antone's in McKay Court.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. during the course of dinner to expedite consideration of initial items on the agenda.

The treasurer's report disclosed that 17 members have not yet paid 1987 dues. A total of income to date was reported and a bills list was presented. A motion was made, duly seconded and passed to pay each and every bill.

The following applications for membership were presented:

ASSOCIATE: Swargjya Perni, M.D., Ella Mae Webster, M.D.,
Janardan Tallam, M.D.

The applications were approved and the applicants will become members of the Mahoning County Medical Society in the voted category 15 days after the names are printed in the minutes of the May meeting that are mailed to all members, unless an objection is received in writing by the executive director of the Society before that effective date.

COMMUNICATIONS INCLUDED:

A complaint from an attorney concerning the release of medical records

was responded to by the Council by referring to the fact that physicians may provide a summary of the records without being required to provide actual copies of the records and that it is the physicians prerogative to require payment in advance for any summary or other material provided.

A letter from State Representative Joseph Vukovich stating why he is in opposition to the Malpractice Reform Bill 327. He blames the insurance industry for the problem but does not seem to consider the effect of claims without merit, out-of-court settlements that are made to resolve suits that are actually harassment, or plaintiff responsibility for costs of frivolous suits. Council agreed that a representative group of Council members will obtain material to refute Vukovich's claims and have a meeting with him.

A letter from O'Connor, O'Connor, Lordi Ltd, seeking a physician with experience in Trauma or Emergency Room medicine.

An invitation to take part in a regatta sponsored by the Academy of Medicine of Columbus and the Leatherlips Yacht Club.

A letter from Peer Review Systems of Columbus, Ohio seeking physicians to do "peer review" in this area. At least 20 physicians are required.

A communication from Congressman James Traficant expressing his opposition to the proposed R.A.P. DRG rule.

A letter to be sent to all members of the Society concerning contributions to the Society's Foundation and naming the Foundation as beneficiary in a will was approved for distribution to the membership.

The president presented his recommendation for restructuring Council by making each council member responsible for a Society area of concern. After some discussion, it was determined that could be accomplished by naming Council members as chairmen of Society committees and having them report to Council. It was agreed that the matter shall be given further consideration and a final format presented to Council. Drs. Ervin and Carter were appointed to a committee to study Society marketing.

Council approved having a joint meeting with the Women's Auxiliary in September. The meeting will feature an international buffet, prepared by the women of the auxiliary. The Society and the Auxiliary will both conduct their business portion of the meeting and then a short program will follow dinner. The joint meeting will replace the usual September meeting of the Society.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to cancel the July, August and September meeting of Council, with the provision that the September meeting can be re-instated if circumstances require it. The September meeting comes the next day after Labor Day this year.

It was announced the general meeting of the Society will be Tuesday, May 19, 1987 at 6 p.m. at Antone's, with Bill Fry, OSMA Ombudsman, speaking on "Medicare and MAAC."

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

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LEGISLATIVE ACTION FUND

The Ohio State Medical Association is asking members to voluntarily support a fund which has been established to finance legislative, legal and communication activities that are necessary to help pass the medical professional liability bills currently before the Ohio legislature.

Through a series of mailings beginning in March, physicians in Ohio are being asked to contribute at least \$100 each to the Legislative Action Fund. The OSMA will administer the fund and will use the monies to finance necessary reform activities.

A similar fund was established 11 years ago when physicians in Ohio faced severe professional liability insurance problems. In 1976, the fund financed a series of OSMA-sponsored initiatives which helped restore the viability of the professional liability system. Through the years, however, many of these reforms have been eroded and misinterpreted by the courts and have left physicians virtually unprotected from the threat of a malpractice suit.

The battle to re-establish stability and fairness in the system will be long and costly. Opponents of the reforms are extremely well-financed and vocal. The Legislative Action Fund will help the OSMA make a case for Ohio's physicians before the legislature - - and the public.

Support from every physician is needed to finance the tort reform efforts of the OSMA. If you haven't already done so, please write your check to the Legislative Action Fund, and send it to the Ohio State Medical Association, 600 South High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

OLDTIMERS REMEMBERS

One day when we were making rounds, Dr. Rinehart, of Struthers, showed me his finger. It was infected. I opened it quickly and put a dressing on it.

The next day as I was walking past the emergency room, he came out and asked me to take care of a boy for him, because he couldn't scrub with a dressing on. I went in and looked at the boy. He had caught his hand in a planing machine and his middle finger of his right hand was mangled. Two teachers had put him in the car and rushed him to the hospital and called Dr. Rinehart. It was no big job. I had seen many cases like it in Republic Iron and Steel. I put a little procaine in the finger, and trimmed it and covered the stump with good tissue. The boy had no pain and talked

to the nurse while I was working on his hand. I kept him in the hospital overnite, so they could give him something for pain when his anesthetic wore off.

The next morning, I discharged him. His Mother was there and she seemed like a nice lady. I told her to take him to Dr. Rinehart for his dressings.

Three weeks later I was amazed to receive a court summons that I was being sued for \$20,000 for assault and operating on a minor without the parents consent. I immediately notified my insurance company and they sent a man from Fort Wayne, Ind. The first thing he said was, "Don't worry about a thing, doctor, we'll take care of everything." That made me feel a little better. They made no attempt to settle the case, they were a fighting company, and it went to trial. They engaged Roland Hahn to defend me. He was the son of the late Dr. B. F. Hahn, who was a prominent Youngstown physician, and he defended me vigorously. We were in court three days, and when the boy showed the jury his hand, I was very pleased with the job. When he made a fist, you could scarcely see any damage. It did not take the jury long to bring in a verdict for the defense and the plaintiff had to pay the cost of the trial.

It turned out alright but it was an unpleasant experience. It taught me a lesson and I never took care of a child after that without being sure the parents knew and approved of what I was doing.

James L. Fisher, M.D.

SPEAKER GIVES A WARNING

"Mandatory Medicare assignment as a condition for licensure is being proposed in the Ohio State Legislature and physicians should make every effort to contact their representatives to oppose this step toward Socialized medicine," warned William Fry, OSMA Ombudsman, at the May 19 meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society.

Fry, who is director of Professional Relations and Ombudsman Services for OSMA, was the featured speaker at the May meeting. Speaking primarily about the impact of Medicare and its Maximum Allowable Actual Charges, he noted the main problem in Medicare is the intensive Congressional oversight of medicine by Congress. He recalled that physicians have been under a fee freeze of some sort since 1983, and other obstructions have been raised such as participation and non-participating fee schedules, inherent reasonableness dictums, fee limits on procedures, and COBRA mandated office lab assignment.

Fry explained the long process that must be used when physicians have no MAAC on which to base a procedure charge and noted a physician can balance his fees so that lower fees in the second half of a year can offset fees that were higher than allowable in the first half of the year.

A particular warning about House Bill 150 was presented by Fry. The bill would provide that the State Medical Board "shall require, as a condition of granting or renewing a certificate of registration, that a practitioner who agrees to provide health services to individuals" under the Medicare program "shall also agree not knowingly to charge or to collect from any individual any amount in excess of the reasonable charge for such service as determined by the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services."

Local legislator on the Aging and Housing Committee that is considering the bill is State Representative Robert F. Hagan.

The May 19 meeting was presided over by Dr. G. Robert Barton, Society president, who opened the floor to questions that were succinctly responded to by Fry.

The application for resident membership by Lovsho Phen, M.D. was approved with no dissenting vote.

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Schooling and education are not the same. Schooling, we are told, is a 'right' to which we are entitled. It is a benefit provided for us by our government. It's free. If we don't care for it, that's too bad, because it is mandatory in most states. A genuine education, on the other hand, is not a 'free lunch.' It has its price. It must be bought daily with self-discipline and hard work. Like wisdom, it has to be sought out.

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At a summer resort a young lady experienced some female distress which brought the hotel physician to the scene. His preliminary examination completed, the doctor asked the girl's mother, "Has your daughter ever gone to a gynecologist?"

"I don't think so," the mother replied, "I think she only went as far as High School."

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It's interesting to note how many "not for profit" hospitals are moving into activities specifically designed to make money. Recent examples: A Massachusetts hospital has modernized its cafeteria, hired professional chefs and is offering weekend dinner buffets and Sunday brunches to the general public. A Minneapolis hospital offers room service from a menu which includes pickled herring appetizers and chateaubriand; and in New Orleans, patients in one hospital soak in a hot tub, get manicures, have their hair 'done' and use free secretarial service.

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One good thing about an egotist is that he doesn't gossip about other people.

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The Census Bureau estimates that \$222-billion circulates through the "underground economy" without being reported or taxed. (The underground economy involves business deals based on cash transactions or barter.) That figure, if correct is \$42 billion more than the budget of the U.S. in 1984. If taxes were paid on just 25% of the total, the Treasury could realize an additional \$55 billion in income.

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Association Management, the publication of the American Society of Association Executives, comments on a book by Michael H. Minton, an attorney who specializes in divorces. He figures the average wife (cook, dishwasher, cleaning woman, nurse, tutor, social secretary, companion, etc., etc.) is worth about \$40,000 a year to her average husband. A local wag suggests that if that is true then the average kid . . . particularly the teenage variety . . . is worth about \$1.75!

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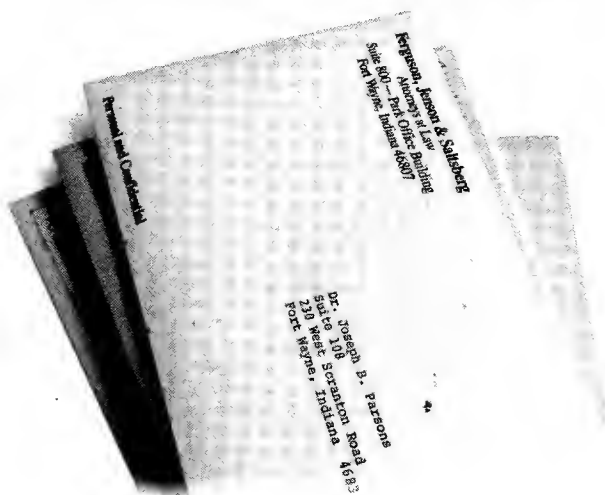


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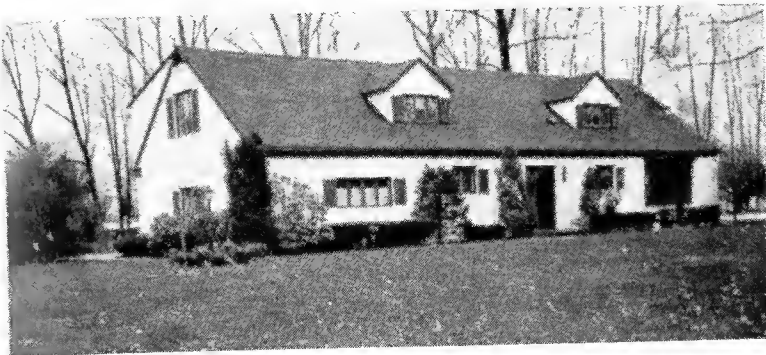
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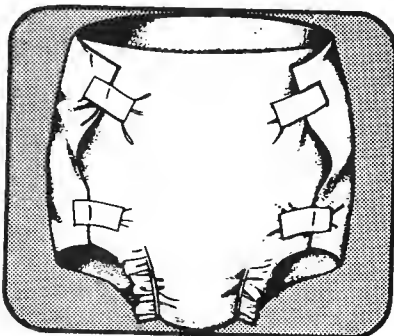
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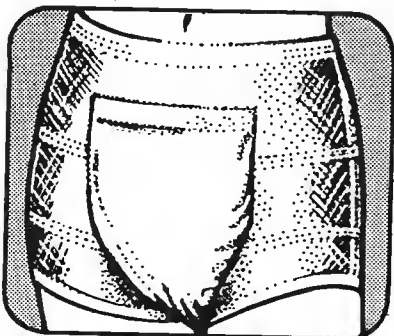
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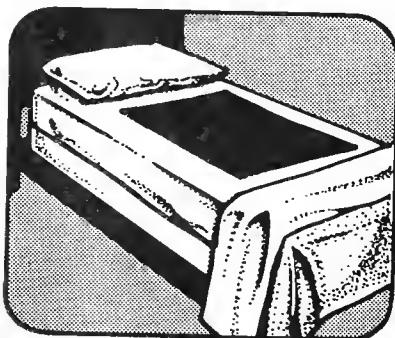
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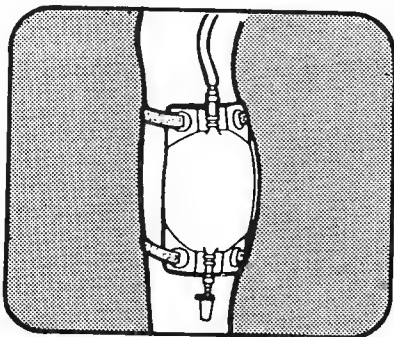
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From the Bulletin

FIFTY YEARS AGO — JUNE 1937

There were three remarkable pictures of Medical Society picnics taken in 1913, 1914, and 1915 in the days when picnics were picnics. Fred Bunn was Superintendent of Youngstown Hospital and was responsible for organizing them. The chef from the hospital would prepare the ham and beans, corn, pie, and coffee. Spitz Renner furnished the beer and a truck to take everything out to the place. The first ones were held out north of the Canfield Road just beyond Cornersburg where a creek crosses the road. Another place was Jackson's Gulch where Ray Fenton either fell in the lake or was thrown in during an argument over a poker game. There was always a ball game between teams from the two hospitals with loud arguments and high morbidity among both players and umpires. Kocialek fractured his humerus, Edgar Tobey developed a ventral hernia and Luxan was hit on the leg by a ball which ruptured his varicose veins and he was laid up for a month with phlebitis. There was some high-class baseball talent those days. Bill Walsh was an old O.S.U. varsity pitcher and Wendell Bennett played on the Cornell team. Joe Nagel was a varsity catcher and M. P. Jones a beautiful out-fielder. The trouble was they were not in condition and after the picnic many of the doctors went around in bandages and splints.

FORTY YEARS AGO — JUNE 1947

Service records were published of Lt. Col. John S. Goldcamp, Capt. Paul Kaufman and Capt. Milton Kendall. Goldcamp served in Australia and the Philippines. He was present during the Japanese banzai attack on First General Hospital at Leyte in December, 1945. Kaufman served in North Africa, in Italy and in France and received a Meritorious Service Citation. Kendall was made a fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine and licensed to practice in the British Isles. He served with the Air Force in the Normandy landing and the Rhine invasion. Sam Zlotnick became a member. Elmer Wenaas led the doctors' bowling league. John LaManna returned to practice after three years in the Army. He served in the 135th Evacuation Hospital in Germany.

THIRTY YEARS AGO — JUNE 1957

President Ondash said that the Medical Society should lead in health matters and not be led by lay health organizations.

Clyde Walter won the Sela Schick Award for the best report on original investigation presented at the American College of Allergy.

Herman Allen became a member of the Society.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — JUNE 1967

President Reese wrote that all is forgiven. Please come back to the Medical Society and attend the meetings.

Frank Gelbman wrote about the "Impending Death of the Medical Society" and held a quasi CPC over the patient with detailed history and physical examination, prognosis and treatment. The article is worth looking up in your old issues (which of course you save) and reading again.

S. W. Chiasson had an interesting article on "Female Infertility" and made some important recommendations in the treatment.

A. V. Whittaker was at the University of Pittsburgh studying Cardiology. W. T. Breesmen was about to leave for Washington to study Cardiology at the D.C. General Hospital. John Melnick's paper on "Chondrodystrophia Calcificans Congenita" was reprinted in the Yearbook of Pediatrics. It is now known by the eponym "Melnick's Disease".

John Buckley and Vincent Lepore became Diplomates of the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

TEN YEARS AGO — JUNE 1977

The American Cancer Society had taken note of a rising incidence of Cancer of the Thyroid in young adults, many of whom had a history of radiation exposure in their early years for such conditions as acne, enlarged thymus or enlarged tonsils or adenoids. The *Bulletin* carried a full page of suggestions for physicians from the Cancer Committee of the Medical Society, for the management of any patient with a history of head and neck radiation for a benign lesion.

Dr. Carl A. Gustafson died at the age of 82. "Gus" started out his career as a teacher at South, and later Chaney High Schools in order to earn money to go to Medical School. He was in practice with Dr. "Pop" Morrison and was president of the County Medical Society in 1952. He served as Editor of the *Bulletin* for four years during World War II and later served as 6th District Councilor for the OSMA.

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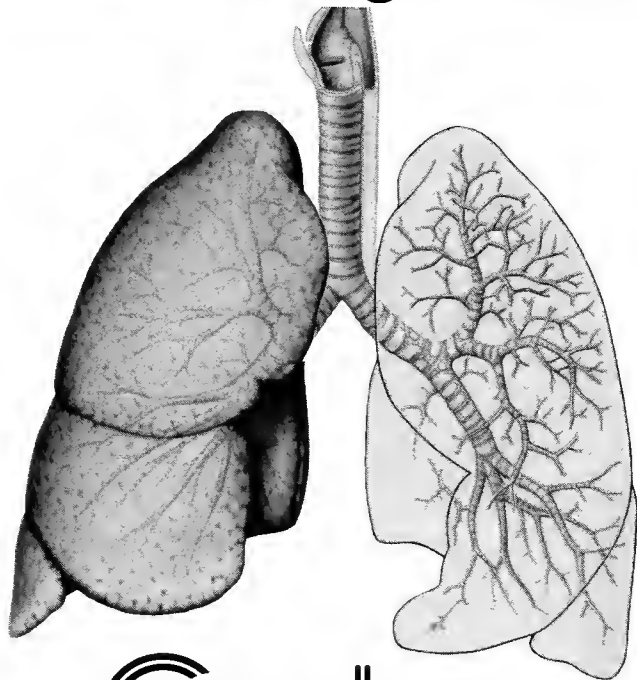
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